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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

This is in response to a restriction requirement mailed on July 19, 2005. The shortened one-month period for response to the Office Action expires on August 19, 2005. Accordingly, Applicants believe that this response is timely filed.

Applicants provisionally elect Group XVI (claims 1-2 (in part), 5 (in part), 20 (in part), 21, 23-24 (in part), and 30-35 (in part)) for examination. Applicants further request that the currently amended claim 26 and newly added claims 36-39, as detailed in the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith, be grouped appropriately with the elected claims of Group XVI. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file divisional applications or other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining, unelected claims.

Applicants do not believe that any fee(s) is due for this filing. However, should any fee(s) be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, to charge any fee that may be due to Deposit Account No. 03-1664.

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 19 day of August Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of the case, it is respectfully requested that Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

Date August 18, 2005

Respectfully Submitted,

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